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U.S. Patent Application entitled:

"Claim Assessment Model"

USSN: 09/539,218 Filed: March 30, 2000 Our Ref.: 16132/9108

Dear Sir:

The following are being transmitted herewith:

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- 2. One copy of PTO form (1 sheet)
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- 3. Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application (4 sheets)
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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Applicant must submit \$ 690 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
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 - \$1188 for 66 total claims over 20.
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